

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 159

By Farmer

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Dr. Tammy Bowlin on her selection as the 2015 Jefferson County Grades 9–12 Teacher of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest-quality education for Tennessee’s students; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Tammy Bowlin is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Bowlin was recently selected as the 2015 Jefferson County Grades 9–12 Teacher of the Year, an honor most befitting her outstanding tenure as a teacher, as it recognizes the positive influence she has had on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, currently a teacher of Algebra I/A for ninth-grade special education students at Jefferson County High School Patriot Academy, Dr. Bowlin has taught for twenty-three years in Jefferson County Schools; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Bowlin is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate her students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Bowlin earned her Ph.D. from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, where she has taught a number of undergraduate and graduate courses within the special education program; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Bowlin supports not only her students but also others in the teaching profession; she has presented at a Professional Learning Community on the topic of teaching diverse learners, and she has supported and mentored practicum and internship pre-service teachers; and

WHEREAS, Tammy Bowlin is an active member of her community; she is a Sunday school teacher at her church and provided service on a mission trip to Haiti; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Bowlin is truly an inspiration to her colleagues and students alike, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, Tammy Bowlin epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest values of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Dr. Tammy Bowlin on being chosen as the 2015 Jefferson County Grades 9–12 Teacher of the Year, commend her exceptional service to the youth of Tennessee, salute her professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.